

## State of California - The Resources Agency DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME 2008 EAST PARK RESERVOIR TULE ELK HUNT www.dfg.ca.gov



**General Information:** Congratulations on receiving a tag for the East Park Reservoir Tule Elk Hunt. This letter contains information regarding the mandatory hunter orientation which you must attend in order to legally hunt tule elk.

**Hunter Orientation:** Hunter orientations will be held the afternoon prior to the opening of each hunt period. You will be contacted with additional information about the time and location of each orientation.

Topics to be discussed at the orientation will include access to hunting areas, care of your game, and hunting regulations. Instructions will be provided regarding check station requirements.

**Regulations:** Visit the above website address for specific zone regulations (hunt zone map, description, and harvest success information can also be viewed at this address). All successful tule elk hunters are required to have their tags validated. To have your elk tag validated, please contact the Department or any person listed in Section 708 of the California Hunting Regulations for Mammals and Furbearers. **Please remember that all hunters must return tag report cards to the Department within one week after the close of the elk season regardless of whether an elk was taken.** 

If you need information as you plan for your hunt, please contact Mr. Joe Hobbs, Elk Program Coordinator, at 1812 9th Street, Sacramento, California 95811, (916) 445-9992, or e-mail jhobbs@dfg.ca.gov. Persons receiving bull tags are especially encouraged to contact the Department prior to the hunt.

The Department is collecting teeth from animals taken by hunters for age analysis. Successful hunters should follow directions on the tooth envelope (included with this flyer) to remove the two front teeth and submit them to the Department. Please do not wrap teeth in foil or plastic. The Department will send results to hunters that submit teeth for age analysis.

Please be aware that only muzzleloaders (as defined in Title 14, Section 353) may be used on USDI Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) land in the vicinity of East Park Reservoir. By county ordinance, all other firearms (including archery equipment) are prohibited on land administered by the Bureau of Reclamation. Other firearms (as defined in Section 353) may be used on private land, USFS and BLM land within the hunt zone. Access to the BOR property will be limited and restricted to main roads only.

Antlerless elk hunters should be aware that BOR land in the vicinity of East Park Reservoir will be open to antlerless hunting **the 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> and the 22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>**. Only two hunters will be allowed on the property at one time. Contact Joe Hobbs (916) 445-9992 if you wish to hunt on the BOR property during either of those dates. If more than two hunters want access then a drawing will be held to determine order of access. Please remember bull elk hunters could be hunting on the BOR property prior to the area being open to antlerless hunting. Please limit any scouting prior to or after these hunts.

Thank you for your cooperation. We look forward to seeing you at the orientation. Good luck!